# THE STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION WORKSHOPS ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS AFFECTING MUNICIPAL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

### I. Overview of Campaign Finance Laws

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- A. Objectives of Chapter 150, Conn. General Statutes
- B. State Elections Enforcement Commission
  - i. Composition and Organization
  - ii. Scope of Responsibilities
- C. Candidate's and Chairperson's Responsibilities
  - i. Registering a Candidate Committee
    - 1. Filing the registration statement ED-49
    - 2. Qualifying for and Filing the exemption form B-4
  - ii. Registering a Slate or Town Committee.
- D. Campaign Treasurer's Responsibilities
  - i. Responsible for all Transactions
  - ii. Responsible for Filing Disclosure Statements
  - iii. Appointing Solicitors

## II. Receipts

Dianna J. Kulmacz, Associate Accounts Examiner

- A. Is it a Contribution or not?
  - i. What is a Contributions
  - ii. General Exceptions
  - iii. Exceptions for Fundraising Affairs
    - 1. What is a Fundraising Affair?
    - 2. What are the Fundraising Exceptions
- B. Prohibited Contributions
- C. Depositing Receipts
- D. Recording Receipts

### III. Expenditures

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- A. Committee Expenditures
- B. Identification of Campaign Communications
- C. Reimbursements
- D. Candidate's Campaign Expenditures
- E. Use of Public Funds Prohibited
- F. Reporting Expenditures

### **IV. Post Election Requirements**

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- A. Post Election Filings
- B. Surplus Distribution
- C. Records Retention

#### V. Question and Answer Period

Please hold your questions to the end, Thank you for your attendance.